

My ISP is sonic.net, and independant and early provider of Internet access in Northern California. I utilise their DSL service. The physical connection is provided by SBC, my local phone company. I would like the FCC to ensure that sonic.net is able to provide DSL service without being gouged or squeezed out by SBC. I think there are similarities with access to my long distance voice carrier, in that I choose my long distance carrier and am not restricted to whatever SBC chooses to offer, which is invariably more expensive. SBC has the mindset of a monopoly interested more in preserving its established business than in innovating. Full disclosure - I am a shareholder of SBC common stock.